

THE WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ The final third-quarter estimate shows that real gross domestic product (GDP) rose at a 4 percent annual rate, up 0.1 percentage points from last month's preliminary estimate. The fixed-weighted price index for gross domestic purchases (prices paid by U.S. residents) rose at a 3.5 percent rate in the third quarter after rising at a 2.9 percent rate over the first half of 1994.
- ✓ The trade deficit for goods and services measured \$10.1 billion in October, following a revised \$9.4 billion deficit in September. For the first 10 months in 1994, the trade deficit measured \$90.5 billion, compared with \$63.7 billion for the same period in 1993.
- ✓ Privately owned housing starts in November were at an annual rate of 1,340,000 units, up 6.9 percent from October. Total housing starts have risen 9.5 percent since November 1993.
- ✓ Corporate Aaa bonds yielded 8.45 percent for the week ending December 23, down 29 basis points from six weeks ago, but up 150 basis points from one year ago (see page 6).

USFD will not be published next week because of the Christmas holiday.

All data are seasonally adjusted unless otherwise indicated.

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The adjusted monetary base is the sum of reserve accounts of financial institutions at Federal Reserve banks, currency in circulation (currency held by the public and in the values of all depository institutions) and an adjustment for reserve requirement ratio changes. The major source of the adjusted monetary base is Federal Reserve credit. Data are computed by this bank. A detailed description of the adjusted monetary base is available from this bank.

Recent data are preliminary.

Adjusted Monetary Base

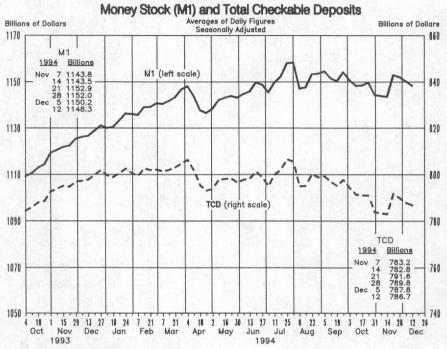
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5/25/94	10.6							
6/22/94	10.4	6.6						
7/20/94	10.1	7.1	8.7					
8/17/94	9.7	7.0	8.1	7.7				
9/14/94	9.3	6.8	7.4	6.9	6.1			
10/26/94	8.7	6.5	6.8	6.4	5.8	5.3		
11/23/94	8.1	6.0	6.1	5.6	4.9	4.4	4.0	
12/21/94	7.3	5.2	5.0	4.4	3.6	2.9	2.2	0.0

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Latest data plotted week ending: December 12, 1994

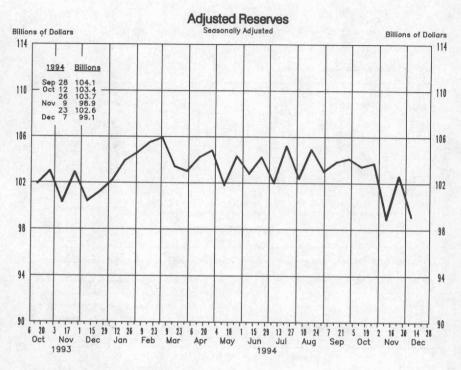
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M1 is the sum of currency held by the nonbank public, demand deposits, other checkable deposits and travelers checks.

Total checkable deposits is the sum of demand deposits and other checkable deposits at depository institutions.

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6/13/94	3.5	1.4						
7/11/94	3.6	2.1	5.1					
8/15/94	3.7	2.5	4.7	4.3				
9/12/94	3.4	2.2	3.7	3.1	2.4			
10/10/94	2.8	1.6	2.6	1.7	0.8	-1.1		
11/14/94	2.0	0.6	1.1	0.2	-0.8	-2.5	-3.9	
12/12/94	2.3	1.2	1.8	1.1	0.5	-0.5	-0.8	0.1

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Latest data plotted two weeks ending: December 7, 1994

Adjusted reserves is the difference between adjusted monetary base and currency component of M1.

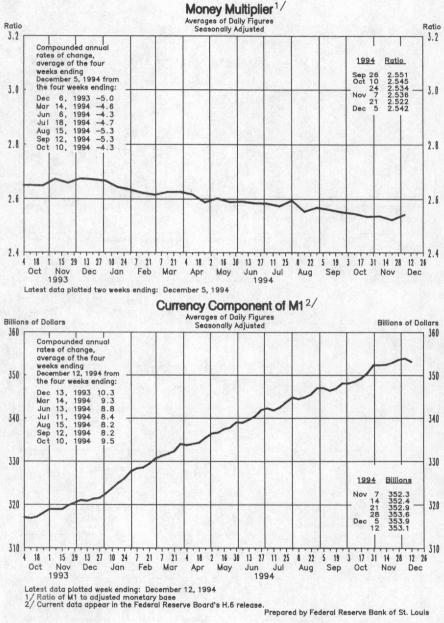
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6/8/94	3.8	-7.2						
7/6/94	2.4	-6.9	-1.3					
8/3/94	3.2	-4.2	2.1	1.3				
8/31/94	3.1	-3.2	2.2	1.7	5.8			
10/12/94	2.4	-2.9	1.1	0.6	2.5	0.0		
11/9/94	-0.4	-6.0	-3.8	-5.2	-5.0	-8.7	-12.8	
12/7/94	-0.8	-5.9	-4.0	-5.1	-5.0	-7.9	-10.6	-16.8

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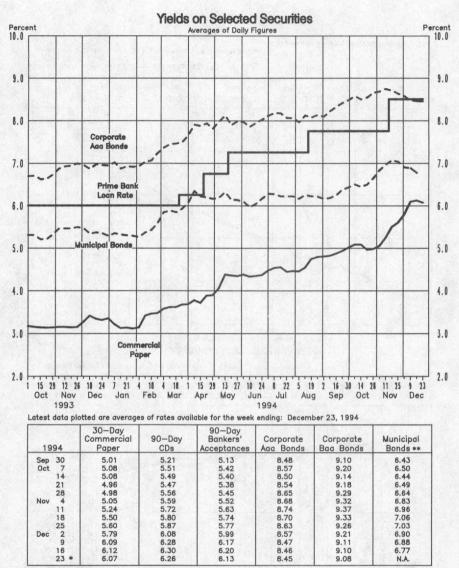


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Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release.

* Averages of rates available

** Bond Buyer's Average Index of 20 municipal bonds, Thursday data

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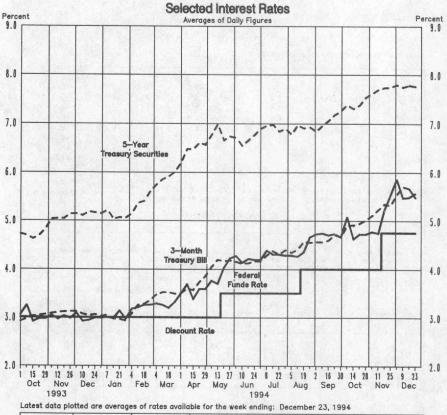
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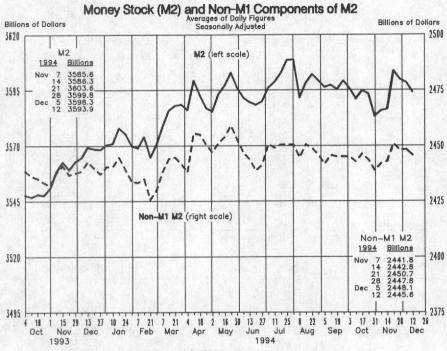




19	94	Federal Funds **	3–Month Treasury Bill	1-Year Treasury Bill	5-Year Treasury Securities	10-Year Treasury Securities	Long-Term Treasury Securities
Sep		4.66	4.66	5.58	7.25	7.60	7.89
Oct	7	5.07	4.90	5.71	7.38	7.72	7.99
	14	4.62	4.91	5.67	7.30	7.65	7.92
	21	4.72	4.94	5.76	7.37	7.71	7.97
	28	4.72	5.01	5.86	7.53	7.86	8.08
Nov	4	4.77	5.10	5.90	7.61	7.94	8.14
	11	4.74	5.22	6.00	7.69	8.00	8.19
	18	5.22	5.34	6.18	7.73	7.97	8.16
	25	5.53	5.31	6.22	7.74	7.91	8.10
Dec	2	5.85	5.53	6.45	7.79	7.89	8.06
	9	5.47	5.70	6.62	7.74	7.79	7.95
	16	5.48	5.66	6.73	7.78	7.82	7.96
	23 *	5.56	5.48	6.62	7.76	7.81	7.94

Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.15 release excluding long—term Treasury securities which are computed by this bank. Treasury bill yields are on a discount basis. Averages of rates available
Seven—day averages for week ending two days earlier than date shown

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Latest data plotted week ending: December 12, 1994

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M2 is the sum of M1, overnight RPs issued by all commercial banks, overnight Eurodollars issued to U.S. residents by foreign branches of U.S. banks, savings (including money market deposit accounts), small time deposits and general purpose and broker/dealer money market mutual funds. For more detail, see the H.6 release.

Money Stock (M2)

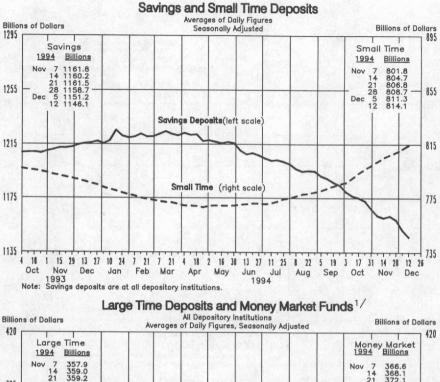
To the average of four weeks ending:	12/13/93	3/14/94	5/9/94	6/13/94	7/11/94	8/15/94	9/12/94	10/10/94
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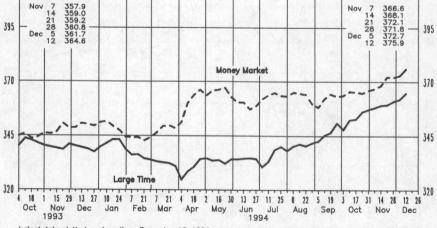
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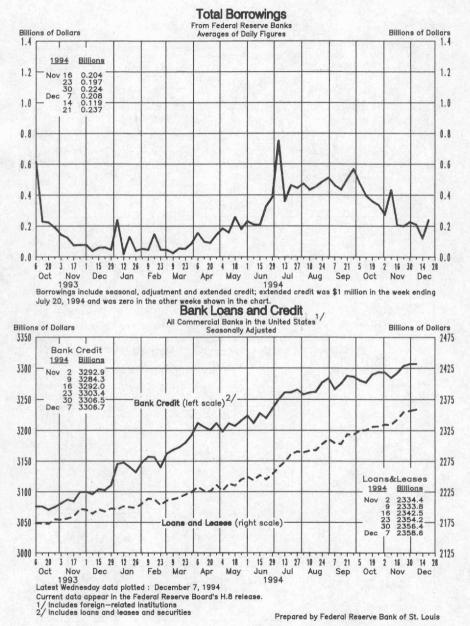


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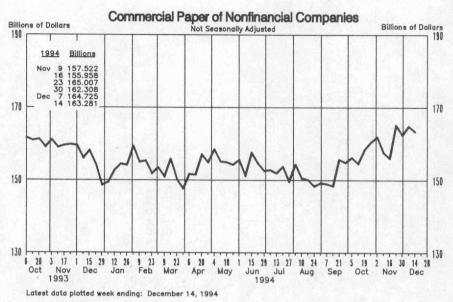
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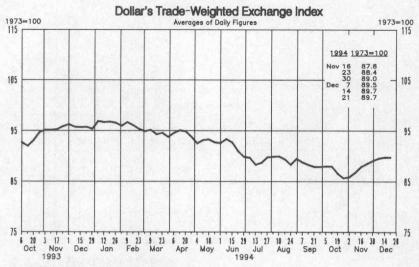












Latest data plotted week ending: December 21, 1994

Current data appear in the Federal Reserve Board's H.10 release.

Data are weighted averages of the foreign—currency price of the U.S. dollar, computed using 10 industrial country currencies.

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